PRESENT—*cont.*

Tajudin Sahib Bahadur, Syed.
Tampoe, I.C.S., Mr. A. McG. C.
Tulasiram, Mr. L. K.
Vanavudaiya Gounder, Mr. S. V.
Venkatapathi Raju, Mr. P. C.
Venkatarama Ayyar, Mr. K. R.
Venkataramana Ayyangar, Mr. C. V.
Venkatarangam Nayudu, Mr. C.
Venkiah, Mr. S.
Watson, I.C.S., Mr. H. A.
Wood, Mr. C. E.
Wright, Mr. W. O.
Zamindar of Gollapalli.
Zamindar of Kallikota.
Zamindar of Mirzapuram.
Zamindar of Seithur.
Zamindar of Singampatti.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Local Boards

Constitution of the Hosur Taluk Board.

*1697 *Q.*—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the total strength of the taluk board of Hosur is; and

(*b*) how many of them are Muslims and what proportion of them (Muslims) was returned by election and nomination respectively?

A.—(*a*) Twenty.

(*b*) Three; two elected and one nominated.

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN:—"May I know from the hon. the Chief Minister the number of Muslim members that were nominated last year?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"I am afraid I must ask for notice."

Alleged assistance rendered by the Chingleput District Board High School Headmasters to the Self-Respect Conference held in Chingleput.

* 1698 *Q.*—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the headmasters of the Board High Schools in Chingleput enrolled among students volunteers for the Self-Respect Conference in Chingleput;

(*b*) whether the headmasters acted under instructions from the President of the District Board;

(*c*) whether the Government approve of the alleged action by the headmasters; and

(*d*) whether the Government will call for a report and place it on the Council table?

A.—(*a*), (*b*), (*c*) & (*d*)—No.

Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR:—"I see that the answer to clause (*d*) is 'no.' Am I to understand that the Government will not call for a report, or that the Government did not call for a report? If no report was called for, may I know how the Government were able to answer the other clauses of the question?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"We had called for a report; the President has denied all the allegations made by the hon. Member."

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Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" The Government replied first of all that they had no information and that they had called for the same. Subsequently they changed their mind and say now that the Government will not call for a report ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" No such thing happened."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" With reference to answer (*a*), may I know whether the Government made enquiries from the headmasters themselves apart from the President, District Board ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The only channel of communication between the Government and the Board is the President of the District Board."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know if the Government cannot make this enquiry through the District Collector ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I do not think there is any necessity for any such enquiry."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know whether the Government will make an enquiry through the Educational authorities of the district ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" As I said before, I do not think there is any necessity for any such enquiry."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" Will the hon. the Minister call upon the President, District Board, to move the Educational authorities to make the necessary enquiries ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" There is no necessity for it. The allegations are against the President of the District Board, which are denied."

Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR :—" Will the Government be pleased to publish at least the reply of the District Board President ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The reply is a mere negative."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" With reference to the supplementary answer given by the hon. Minister that there is no such necessity, may I know whether they think so because the facts are not proved or because they think it is perfectly open to headmasters of Board schools to enlist volunteers for the Conference ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" It is because the Government think that the facts are not proved."

Mr. P. ANJANEYULU :—" In view of the fact that the allegations are made by an hon. Member of this House, may I ask whether the hon. the Chief Minister will make an enquiry of the President, District Board, regarding these allegations ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I have already stated that, in my opinion, there is no need for any enquiry."